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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Oh *et al.*

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For: **METHODS OF FORMING INTEGRATED CIRCUITS DEVICES HAVING
PAD CONTACT PLUGS IN THE CELL ARRAY AND PERIPHERAL
CIRCUIT REGIONS OF THE INTEGRATED CIRCUIT SUBSTRATE**

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

Sir:

Applicants provide the present Amendment to address the issues raised in the Office Action mailed February 2, 2006.

It is not believed that an extension of time and/or additional fee(s), including fees for net addition of claims, are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. In the event, however, that an extension of time is necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such an extension is hereby petitioned for under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a). Any additional fees believed to be due in connection with this paper may be charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0220.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 8 of this paper.